

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

Appropriation Language

For expenses necessary in carrying out the Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470), and the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-333), [\$74,500,000] \$77,533,000, to be derived from the Historic Preservation Fund, to remain available until September 30, [2005] 2006: Provided, That, of the amount provided herein, \$500,000, to remain available until expended, is for a grant for the perpetual care and maintenance of National Trust Historic Sites, as authorized under 16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(2), to be made available in full upon signing of a grant agreement: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, these funds shall be available for investment with the proceeds to be used for the same purpose as set out herein: Provided further, That of the total amount provided, \$33,000,000], of which \$30,000,000 shall be for Save America's Treasures for priority preservation projects, of nationally significant sites, structures, and artifacts[:] ; and of which \$10,000,000 shall be for Preserve America grants to States, Tribes, and local communities for projects that preserve important historic resources through the promotion of heritage tourism: Provided [further], That any individual Save America's Treasures or Preserve America grant shall be matched by non-Federal funds: Provided further, That individual projects shall only be eligible for one grant, and all projects to be funded shall be approved by [the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and] the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities prior to the commitment of Save America's Treasures grant funds and with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation prior to the commitment of Preserve America grant funds: Provided further, That Save America's Treasures funds allocated for Federal projects, following approval, shall be available by transfer to appropriate accounts of individual agencies. (*Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004.*)

Justification of Major Proposed Language Changes

1. Deletion: “:Provided, That, of the amount provided herein, \$500,000, to remain available until expended, is for a grant for the perpetual care and maintenance of National Trust Historic Sites, as authorized under 16 U.S.C. 470a(e)(2), to be made available in full upon signing of a grant agreement: Provided further, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, these funds shall be available for investment with the proceeds to be used for the same purpose as set out herein: Provided further, That of the total amount provided, \$33,000,000”

The funding for National Trust Historic Sites is not requested.

2. Addition: “; and of which the total provided, \$10,000,000 shall be for Preserve America grants to States, Tribes, and local communities for projects that preserve important historic resources through the promotion of heritage tourism:”

This is a new program proposed for FY 2005.

3. Deletion: “ the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and”

This proposes a change to approval of funded projects.

Authorizing Statutes

16 USC 470 National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665, 80 Stat. 915), establishes the historic preservation grant program to provide assistance to non-federal entities for the preservation of their cultural heritage; a 1976 amendment in Public Law 94-422 established the Historic Preservation Fund as the funding source; and section 470h, as amended by Public Law 94-422 Section 108, provided the fund with \$150 million in revenues from Outer Continental Shelf receipts each fiscal year through

1997, to “remain available in the Fund until appropriated.” This section also allows appropriations from the fund to be made “without fiscal year limitation,” thus allowing the two-year appropriation language and the no-year appropriation language.

Executive Order 11593, May 13, 1971, institutes procedures to assure that Federal plans and programs contribute to the preservation and enhancement of non-federally owned sites, structures and objects of historical, architectural or archeological significance.

DOI Goals Applicable to HPF Activities**Resource Protection****1.3 Protect Cultural and Natural Heritage Resources**

The Grants-in-Aid programs support this goal by providing leadership and support for the preservation of the nation’s cultural, historic and pre-historic treasures. These programs promote public-private and Federal/nonfederal partnerships to identify and protect irreplaceable historic and archeological resources.

Recreation**3.1 Provide for a Quality Recreation Experience, Including Access and Enjoyment of Natural and Cultural Resources Opportunities**

The Grants-in-Aid programs support this goal through partnerships with State, Tribes, local agencies, and nonprofit organizations. These grants support this goal by working to promote and expand protection of America’s heritage resources.
